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## Work Advances In Tense Cuba

ATLANTA — (BP) — Southern Baptist work in Fidel Castro's Cuba flourishes in spite of severe tensions and uncertainties. So, reported, leaders of the denomination's Home Mission Board, following a trip to the island where they conferred with Baptist leaders of western Cuba, concerning the budget and program for 1961.

A "modest expansion" of work is anticipated in 1961, despite the return of one missionary family who had worked with English-speaking residents of Havana.

Making the trip were Arthur Rutledge, director of the Missions Division, and Loyd Corder, secretary of the language groups ministries department.

Excellent Response  
"In view of the excellent re-

sponse to the gospel which we found in Cuba at this time," Rutledge reported, "it is expected that the Home Mission Board will make a modest expansion of the work there in keeping with what is being done on other home mission fields."

Both Rutledge and Corder were pleased with results of an evangelistic crusade just closed in the Havana province where 2,192 professions of faith were reported by 46 churches and missions.

"If the present trend continues, this will be the best year Cuban Baptists have ever had," said Nemesio Garcia, pastor of the McCall Baptist church in Havana and secretary of the Mission Board of the Cuban Baptist Convention.

One seminary student, who had preached during the crusade, warned, "if we fail to evangelize Cuba now, it is our fault and not anyone else's."

Crusades in the other three western provinces where Southern Baptists work were scheduled to follow the Havana effort.

Met With Leader  
Rutledge, and Corder who speaks Spanish, met with all eight of the denomination's missionaries, officers of the Cuban convention, and various other Baptist leaders.

They reported no interference in public meetings, that visitation in the homes (Continued on Page 2)

## SS Board Holds To Age Plan

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — (BP) — The Baptist Sunday School Board reported here it does not have any plans now for changing the age-grading set up.

It told the Inter-Agency Council of the SBC that it has been studying this question. Results of the study "so far do not give clear guidance to justify initiating now a new plan or an adjusted plan of grading."

The Sunday School is the largest educational group within Southern Baptists churches. It follows age lines from cradle roll through adults. The Sunday School Board promotes Sunday School Work and publishes lesson material used by Sunday School classes.

The Brotherhood Commission of the SBC, reporting on its grading for Royal Ambassadors — a boys' missionary group in the churches, also told the council it plans no changes at present.

### Grading Not Identical

The Royal Ambassador grading is not identical with Sunday School grading for the same ages. Not as many individuals are affected by the Brotherhood grading system as by the Sunday School's.

The Sunday School Board states that 86 per cent of Southern Baptists' Sunday School enrollments are below 400 persons. "The majority of churches are small; closer grading is not feasible for them," Dr. James L. Sullivan, Nashville, executive secretary of the agency, announced.

Changes in Sunday School age grading would require adjustments in building arrangements by churches. It would call for more volunteer workers to man new Sunday School units if there were "closer grading," that is, fewer age (Continued on Page Two)



PRESIDENT FINLAY M. GRAHAM, of the new Arab Baptist Theological Seminary, addressed the congregation at the school's formal opening ceremonies October 25 in Beirut, Lebanon. The picture at the foot of the pulpit is of the proposed administration building. On the platform are members of the seminary's advisory council and three guests who took part on the program. The service was held in Beirut Baptist Church.

## 17 Are Enrolled For Arab Seminary's First Term

"Perhaps one reason the Near East has always been a difficult mission field for evangelicals is that there have been comparatively few thoroughly dedicated and trained men to preach the Gospel of Jesus in these countries," says Rev. David W. King, Southern Baptist Missionary in Lebanon.

"An event of major significance, therefore, is the opening of the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary in Beirut, Lebanon, on October 25."

The seminary's first student body is composed of 12 men and five women. They come from Egypt, Gaza, Jordan, and Lebanon, the Arab countries where Southern Baptist Missionaries serve.

### Faculty Listed

The faculty consists of Missionary Finlay M. Graham, president and teacher of church history and New Testament; Dr.

William H. Russell, on sabbatical leave from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., teacher of biblical introduction

## GENERALITIES IN PREACHING IS DEPLORED

FORT WORTH, Tex. — A business executive from Anderson, S. C., said Thursday morning that too many preachers lose the message of Jesus Christ in generalities or in a watered-down Gospel, and that laymen want to hear the truth, not a sugar coated religion.

Larry Morehead, a textile manufacturer who is holding a Layman's Revival at the Riverside Baptist Church, told faculty and students at Southwestern Seminary that "I was a business man for a number of years before becoming a Christian. Every day Christians saw me. Sunday School teachers walked by but none of them ever took time to explain to me the message of Christ."

### Almost a Ritual

"The churches in our time have become almost a ritual," the speaker declared. "Very seldom do you hear a layman pray, read the Bible or take an active part in the worship service."

"Yet big business has shown us that the best way to get the job done is to organize, train, and lead men toward a definite goal."

"The biggest business in all the world is not textiles or insurance but is God's business," he said.

## Most Methodists In U. S. Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — Methodists will again outnumber members of other denominations in the United States Senate in the 87th Congress, with a total of 19 members, it was disclosed here.

Baptists will be second with 15. Senators, Episcopalians third, with 14, and Presbyterians will follow with 11.

The new Senate will have 87 Protestants, 11 Roman Catholics, and 2 Jewish members.

It is not possible yet to take a religious census of the House of Representatives where there are more than 60 new members and several races for the 437 seats still undecided, pending recounts.

and Old Testament survey (as well as Old Testament Hebrew as an elective course for five students); Missionary James K. Ragland, teacher of homiletics; and Missionary John W. Turner, teacher of pastoral ministry. Women missionaries, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Ragland, and Miss Virginia Cobb, direct the women's study.

Until buildings can be erected on its permanent site just outside the city, the seminary is meeting in temporary rented quarters in downtown Beirut.

### History Dates to 1953

Its history goes back to the fall of 1953 when Mr. Graham began theological classes for three students in his Beirut home. Three more were added in 1954, but classes were discontinued the next year when Mr. Graham went on furlough. Similar classes begun by Missionary William O. Hern in Ajloun, Jordan, in 1956 continued for a year.

Meanwhile, however, the aim of the missionaries was to organize one accredited seminary for all the Arabic-speaking world, with regional in-service training provided for persons unable to attend. A theological committee was appointed in 1955, and plans made within the next few years led to the opening (Continued on Page 2)

## Church Building Growing

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Southern Baptist church buildings had a total value of \$2,009,254,164 at the end of last year, a net gain of nearly \$184 million, or 10 per cent, over the year before.

These figures were released by W. A. Harrell, secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Church Architecture Department, in a recent interview concerning the work of the department he heads.

"Our consuming desire," said Harrell, "is in helping all the churches of our Convention to adequately provide the physical facilities required for a Baptist church program."

### New Record Set

"The distinctive features of the Baptist church building from those of other denominations have to do with the educational program as well as the auditorium," he continued.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (RNS) — Church construction, which will exceed one billion dollars this year for the first time in history, will increase even more in 1961, the Department of Commerce said here in its official forecast of construction activity in the year ahead.

The government said that construction of religious edifices will total \$1,045,000,000 by the end of 1960, well above the record of \$947,000,000 established last year.

A further increase of three per cent in church construction will send total expenditures in this field of building activity to \$1,075,000,000 in 1961, the department predicted.

Meanwhile, building activity (Continued on Page Two)

## T. V. Commission To Construct New Ft. Worth Home

FORT WORTH — (BP) — Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission members from 21 states has approved the purchase of three acres of land in the Ridgmar section fronting highway 550 for construction of a permanent headquarters building.

Announcement of this action was made by Dr. Paul M. Stevens, director of the denominational agency. The Radio-TV Center is presently located at 6248 Camp Bowie Blvd.

Purchase price for the building site is expected to be \$118,000.

The new headquarters eventually will contain 100,000 square feet and will house a fully equipped underground television studio, two radio studios, and offices and work area for 175 employees. The studios will be for preparation of broadcast materials, although no live broadcasts will emanate from them.

### Underground Garage

An underground garage which would double as an atomic survival shelter is also planned as part of the initial unit.

In other action, the commission:

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## Joint Meetings For Secretaries

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BS-SB) — Two joint meetings of Baptist State Executive, Sunday School, Training Union, Church Music, and Student Secretaries and Associates, and Church Building Consultants, will be held in Nashville in December.

The combined meetings of all of the state leaders and Baptist Sunday School Board personnel will be held in conjunction with the annual State Secretaries' meetings. Special guests will be professors at a number of Southern Baptist seminaries.

At a joint session Dec. 14 in the Board's chapel, Dr. W. L. Howse, Education Division Director, will preside. Dr. James L. Sullivan, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, will present "The Programs of The Sunday School Board," and Albert McClellan, Program Planning Secretary of the Convention's tary-Treasurer, will present sent interpretation of Southern Baptist programming.

## Election Officers To Feature Meet Of State Board

The election of officers and an Executive Committee will feature the meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, scheduled to be held Tuesday, December 6, according to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary-Treasurer. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. at the Baptist Building with adjournment set for later in the day.

The new officers will include a president, vice-president and recording secretary.

Executive Committee  
The Board's nine-member Executive Committee, which meets monthly or upon call and serves as the Board ad interim, will also be elected.

Dr. Quarles and Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, the new Convention president, are both ex-officio members of the Executive Committee.

## BUSY BAPTISTS LAST WEEK

Mississippi Baptists were busy last week, what with three statewide meetings being held in various parts of the state. For a full picture coverage of these gatherings please turn to page three.

## —STATE ROUNDUP NC Plans Special Meeting For Schools

ASHEVILLE, N. C. — (BP) — North Carolina Baptists have agreed to hold a special Convention early in 1961 to consider a fund drive for their colleges.

Chief topic of the special session will be launching a campaign for \$45 million to meet the "minimum immediate needs" of the seven schools. Some state Baptists feel the figure is too high.

The Baptist State Convention adopted a Resolution offered

by Wendell G. Davis of Charlotte pertaining to support for John F. Kennedy. (Davis was the one who introduced a Church-State Resolution at the 1960 session of the Southern Baptist Convention which, in modified form, was adopted at Miami Beach, Fla. It pertained to the then-upcoming election.) Davis presented the Resolution here after the Convention's Resolutions Committee had declined to report out a similar proposed statement. Davis' adopted one said that North Carolina Baptists "assure President-elect Kennedy of our full co-operation in his efforts to keep our government true to its historic principles of religious liberty and complete separation of church and state."

### Maryland Proceeds With Name Change

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — (BP) — Maryland Southern Baptists changed the name of their statewide organization after strong last-ditch effort to keep the old one. It became the Baptist Convention of Maryland. Its historic title up to that time was Maryland Baptist Union Association.

### Hawaii In 18th Convention

HILO, Hawaii — the three-day meeting of the Hawaii Baptist Convention (Continued on Page Two)

## 'M' NIGHT TO BE HELD DEC. 3

Most of the 76 Baptist associations in the state are expected to observe "M" (Mobilization) Night on Monday, December 5, it has been announced by Kermit S. King, Jackson, state Baptist Training Union Director.

A grand total attendance of 29,999 is expected for this year's meetings. The slogan will be "More Than Before." The purpose of the rallies will be to launch the Training Union programs for the coming year in each association.

A grand total of 600,000 is expected to attend the rallies throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

## MC MUSIC DEPARTMENT GETS NATIONAL RECOGNITION

The Mississippi College Music Department, Dr. Jack Lyall director, has been promoted to full membership by the National Association of Schools of Music. This accreditation makes music degrees from Mississippi College acceptable at any college or university.

The National Association of Schools of Music is a constituent member of the American Council in Education and the National Music Council. The Association has been designated by the National Council on Accreditation as the agency responsible for accreditation of music to the regional associations and to work with the National Council on Accreditation for Teacher Training in the area of Music Education for which NCATE has primary responsibility.

The services of the Association are available to all types of institutions in higher education and membership is on (Continued on Page 2)



DR. E. A. McLEMORE, president, holds telegram telling of the admission of Mississippi College Music Department into full membership by the NASM while Dr. Jack Lyall, Department head, left, and Dr. Grady Cox, senior professor, look on.



## Council Changes Meeting Site To Birmingham

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (BP)—Representatives to the Southern Baptist Missionary Education Council voted in final session here to hold the 1961 meeting at Birmingham.

Selection of the new site followed a report that New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary would be unable to serve as host to the group next Nov. 1-3 because students would be taking examinations.

## MC Music

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a voluntary basis.

Began in 1954

The work towards receiving accreditation by the National Association began in 1954 when Miss Bernice Hensler, who is now with the public schools of Las Cruces, New Mexico, was a member of the Mississippi College music faculty.

She and Dr. Grady Cox, senior professor in the music department, were members of a faculty committee and E. N. Elsey was also a member of the music staff at that time and contributed to the program which led to Mississippi College obtaining the highly-honored accreditation.

The Mississippi College music department was examined in 1956 and given Associate membership. In October of 1959, the Music Department was re-examined and the results of the visit were not available to the Commission in time for action at their November, 1959, meeting.

## Report Reviewed

In June of this year, a report of the visit along with a report of the year's work and activities was reviewed by the Commission. Mississippi College was then recommended for promotion to full membership in the National Association of Schools of Music. The Commission officially took action at the November, 1960 meeting.

Out of a large number of schools that were considered for full membership in the National Association, Mississippi College was one of the four that received the accreditation.

## Increase Noted

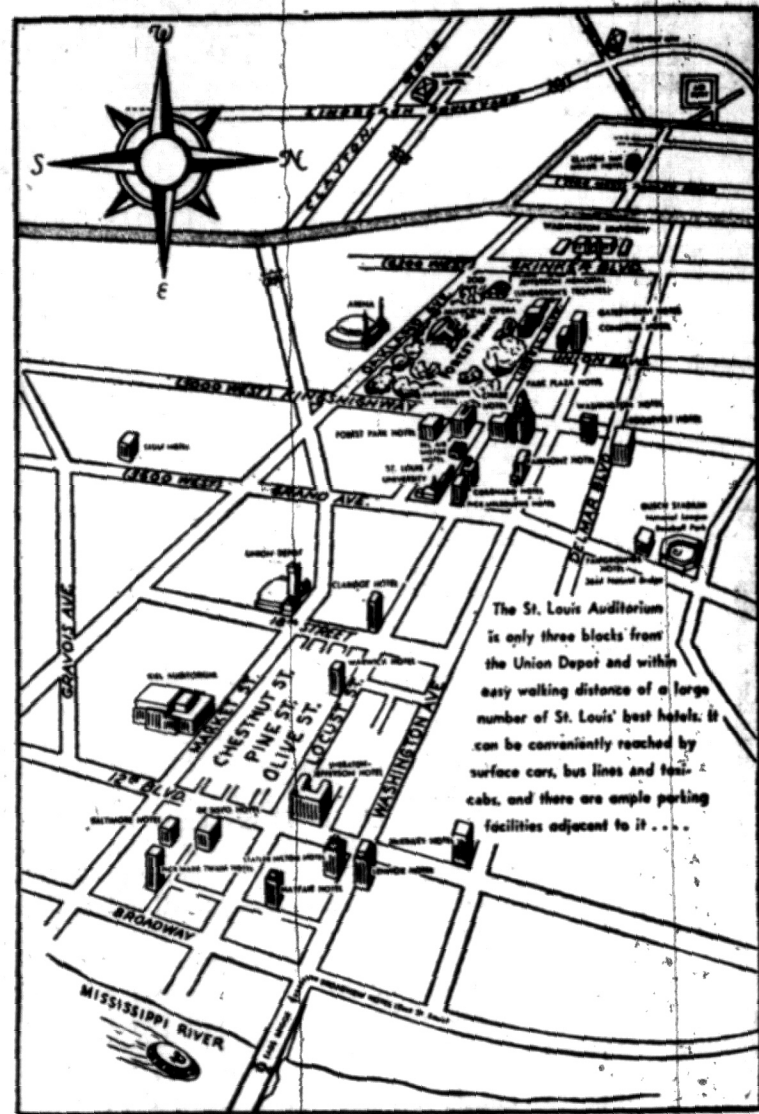
Dr. Jack Lyall, head of the music department at Mississippi College, attended a meeting of the National Association at the Palmer House in Chicago on November 25-26.

In the report at this meeting, increases in the Mississippi College music program noted. The total taking applied lessons increased by 30, from 124 to 154. The total number enrolled in the music program advanced from 237 to 268 while the total enrolled in ensemble activities had the largest increase, moving from 292-358.

## ST. LOUIS HOTELS AND RATES

HOTEL	For one person			For two persons	
	Double Bed	Twin Beds	Double Bed	Twin Beds	
AMBASSADOR	\$ 7.50-10.00	\$10.00-14.00	7.50	8.50	
BALTIMORE	5.50	12.50-16.00	8.50-9.50	13.50-18.00	
BEL AIR	9.50-14.00	13.50-18.00	10.00-11.00	14.00-18.00	
BROADVIEW	6.50-7.50	13.00-16.00	10.00-14.00	14.00-18.00	
CHASE	10.00-15.00	8.00-10.00	9.50-12.50	14.00-16.50	
CLARIDGE	5.50-8.00	10.75-16.00	8.50-12.00	12.00-16.00	
CONGRESS	7.50-10.50	7.00-10.00	7.50-10.00	12.00-16.00	
CORONADO	8.25-13.00	10.00-14.00	7.50-10.00	12.00-16.00	
DESOTO	5.50-8.50	7.00-9.00	8.50-11.50	12.00-15.00	
DIPLOMAT	8.00-12.00	10.00-16.00	8.50-10.50	12.00-18.00	
FAIRGROUNDS	5.00-7.00	7.50-12.00	11.00-14.50	13.00-15.00	
FOREST PARK	7.50-12.00	7.50-8.50	8.50-12.00	9.50-12.00	
GEORGE WASHINGTON	5.00-6.00	9.00-14.00	15.00-17.00		
LENNOX	7.50-13.00	9.00-14.00	8.50-11.50	10.00-12.50	
MAYFAIR	7.50-13.00	15.00-17.00	6.50-10.50	7.50-12.00	
PARK PLAZA	11.00-15.00	7.00-9.00	11.00-14.50	13.00-15.00	
PICK-MARK TWIN	6.50-9.00	8.50-11.50	11.00-14.50	13.00-15.00	
ROOSEVELT	4.50-8.50	7.00-9.00	8.50-12.00	9.50-12.00	
SHERATON-JEFFERSON	8.00-10.50	11.00-14.50	8.50-12.00		
STATLER-HILTON	8.50-11.50	11.00-14.50	8.50-12.00		
WARWICK	5.50-8.00	8.50-12.00			

In the event that the hotel room rate structure is changed prior to the above convention these rates will be changed accordingly.



## DON'T BE A 'NO SHOW'

... A room reserved and not cancelled in ample time, if you are not going to use it, means that you might be depriving some other member of the hotel accommodations of his preference.

## To Secure Housing Accommodation Applications

St. Louis, Missouri  
May 22-26, 1961

## WRITE TO:

S. B. C. RESERVATION BUREAU  
911 Locust Street  
St. Louis 1, Missouri

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APRIL 22, 1961

## 17 Are Enrolled

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ing of the school this fall. Lebanon was chosen as the location because of its greater religious freedom and political stability.

"The possibilities of the outreach of this new 'school of prophets' are indeed promising," says Mr. King. "The potential ministry of men trained here is to the estimated 80,000,000 Arabic-speaking people across North Africa and in the Middle East. Thus, they will be evangelists among one of the major language groups of the world, one in which there are fewer believers in proportion to the total, perhaps, than in any other group."

## Georgia Church Finances New Church In Tokyo

ATLANTA, Ga. — (BP) — The Rose Hill Baptist Church of Columbus, Georgia, has sent the Foreign Mission Board \$7,000 to be used in erection of a Rose Hill Baptist Church in Tokyo, Japan.

Rev. A. Judson Burrell, pastor of the Columbus church, said the gift was an over and above mission designation given "to help create a light in proclaiming the truth of Christ in what seems to be one of the most needful places in the world."

The Rose Hill church gave board authority to erect the church in the place of its choosing in Tokyo.

## TV Commission

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Named Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs of Oklahoma City, current preacher on "The Baptist Hour," for indefinite status as the radio program's speaker.

Approved a new format for "The Baptist Hour," which is now broadcast on 450 radio stations weekly in this country and abroad.

## Church Building

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by non-public schools and colleges, many of which are church-related, also will set a new mark next year, the department said, asserting it will reach \$590,000,000 compared with \$590,000,000 this year. In 1959, building activity by the non-public educational institutions totaled an estimated \$525,000,000.

## SS Board

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years within a grading span, the board said.

Other effects of closer grading would be expensive changes in literature prepared for study, and a slow-down in educational programs caused during the adjustments, the report added.

## Seeks the Multitudes

"A bible-teaching program, which seeks to reach the multitudes of untaught persons, calls for a plan of organization and grading that lends itself to enlargement with minimum difficulties for execution in the churches," according to the report.

The Sunday School Board said its grading study, under way since 1956, will continue. It will concentrate on evaluating education and to resolving problems and pointing out the values in age-grading.

The Inter-Agency Council set two meetings for 1961—March 20-21 in Atlanta and Nov. 20-21 in Nashville. The council, with representatives from various convention agencies, seeks to bring about greater co-operation among them and to eliminate duplication of effort.

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KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED

## State Roundup

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tist Convention in Hilo, Hawaii, November 7-9, 1960, provided several "firsts" for this annual meeting.

It was the first time for the Convention to be held on one of the neighbor islands rather than the island of Oahu. The first invitation from an association for the annual meeting was expended by the Garden Island Association (Kauai) for 1962. It was the first meeting since the new organization of the state offices.

New officers for the year 1961-1962 are: Rev. Jimmy Jones, president, pastor of First Baptist Church, Waipahu, Rev. Charles D. Mullins, vice-president, pastor of the Wai-anae Baptist Church; John Hausser, recording secretary, Kailua Baptist Church; Al Chong, statistical secretary, Wai-lae Baptist Church.

## Baptists Will Back Kennedy More If

Stockton, Calif. — (BP) — A Baptist newspaper editor predicted here more Baptist support for president-elect John F. Kennedy if—

According to Floyd Looney, "If Sen. Kennedy makes good on his pledges about church-state separation and aid to parochial schools, he will have more support from Baptists in carrying them out than he will from much of the crowd who put him where he is."

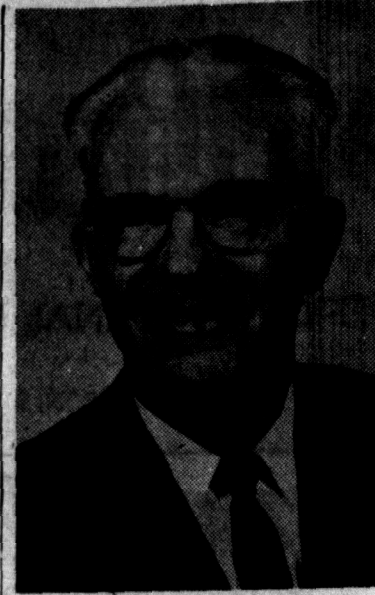
Looney, of Fresno, edits the weekly California Southern Baptist, published by the Southern Baptist General Convention of California. It has a circulation of 22,500.

Looney made his prediction in giving the editor's report to the annual session of the general Convention.

## Virginia Dancing Issue Under Study

BRISTOL, Va. — (BP) — The Baptist General Association of Virginia referred the issue of dancing on Baptist campuses to a special committee. It will call for a report on the subject next year.

Nelson T. Barker, retired pastor living at Richmond, Va., brought the matter up. He opposed on-campus dancing at the General Association's colleges. Prior to the annual meeting here, two local associations of churches had taken stands in the issue.



Rev. L. C. Brown, Sr.

## Accepts Bethany

The former Chaplain of Columbia Training School, Rev. L. C. Brown, Sr. has been called by the Bethany Church, Prentiss, Jefferson Davis Association.

He has accepted the call, and he and his family are now living in the pastorate.

After receiving Barker's motion, the General Association adopted a substitute motion sending the question to a committee including the moderators of the 41 local associations of churches, a trustee from each institution, a faculty member from each school, and two members of the Education Committee of the State Baptist Board.

Virginia Baptists are opposed to churches and denominational agencies participating "in business enterprises that are not directly church-related."

This position was taken in a pronouncement on religious liberty approved by the Baptist General Association of Virginia in annual session here.

The report of the Virginia Baptist Religious Liberty Committee, headed by Stewart B. Simms, discussed the church-state issues involved in taxation of church property, Sunday laws, religious instruction in public education and the use of public funds for church-related institutions.

## Georgians Push For Public Education

SAVANNAH, Ga. — (BP) — The Georgia Baptist Convention described public schools

## Webb and Perry Omitted From Survey Group

The Baptist Record regrets that the names of Rev. Charlie Webb of Cleveland and Glenn Perry of Philadelphia were inadvertently omitted from the list of members of the long range survey committee appointed by President Rayburn on the last day of the State Convention and carried in the Baptist Record issue of November 24.

## Work Advances

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was well received, and that hundreds are attending Baptist churches for the first time. "There are many evidences of a wide-spread spiritual hunger," Corder observed, "and although the newspapers were filled with anti-U.S. statements, we met with no discourteousness."

"We were told that on week-ends the militia does its training, and arms are much in evidence, but on the Monday and Tuesday we were there we saw no more soldiers, policemen, or militia than we would see in U.S. cities," he added.

Commenting on reports that the denomination's schools may be in jeopardy because of the government's emphasis on public schools, both Corder and Rutledge said there had been no intimidation of interference by the government in the Havana Seminary, and that the elementary schools were having only to conform to the public educational standards.

as "essential" to democracy and petitioned state officials to "insure" their remaining open.

The future of Georgia's public education is clouded with state law requiring them to close in the event of integration. Atlanta's system is under Federal Court order to integrate in the lower grades next year and litigation is pending in other areas.

The Convention accepted by an almost unanimous vote a Resolution in behalf of public education as a substitute for the report from its Social Service Commission. The Commission's report said "forced integration for the races in public schools" would violate "our religious practice and sense of practical right."

This report had been under attack by the Christian Index, weekly publication of the Convention, which described this section as objectionable. The Index had also appealed for a statement in behalf of public education.

Montague Cook, pastor from Moultrie, Ga., and Chairman of the Commission, mentioned the Index opposition several times in his 30-minute presentation and said the Commission had refused to heed the appeal for public schools. "If you do not believe in integrated schools, you must face it," he said in the argument.

Three speakers spoke in opposition to the report before Louie D. Newton, Atlanta pastor and former president of both the Georgia and Southern Baptist Conventions, offered the substitute motion which permitted no vote on the Commission report.

His substitute put the Convention in position of "believing that our public schools are essential to the preservation of our democratic way of life." By it the Convention's messengers asked state and local officials to "insure the continuing ministry of our public school system."

## Washington Baptists Back President-Elect

WASHINGTON — (BP) — Baptists in the nation's capital in a resolution, which did not mention by name President-elect John F. Kennedy, said "we pledge our prayerful support to the new administration to the end that it may lead our nation to new high levels of spiritual dedication, personal freedom, political integrity, and international goodwill."

Other actions of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention approved a budget of \$304,666, authorized a study looking toward the establishment of a Baptist University, and asked each church to set up a Christian Life Committee for social action in the communities.

## Training Union Department

### "M" Night Plans (continued from last week)

Association	Meeting Place	Speaker or Feature	Director	Goal
Alcorn	Corinth, First	Film	Bryant Hardin	400
Calhoun	Bruce	Dr. Levon Moore	Mrs. Jewel Wyatt	500
Chickasaw	Okolona	Rev. Robert Shirley	Mrs. H. L. Andrews	400
Choctaw	Weir	Rev. W. Lowery Compere	B. B. McGee	250
Covington	Collins Elementary School	Mr. Clyde Risen	Henry M. Falter	550
Franklin	Bude	Rev. Ronert Magee	Jimmy T. Smith	250
Hinds	First, Jackson	Mr. Kermit King	Charles Tidwell	450
Jeff Davis	Prentiss	Rev. J. Kelva Moore	Mrs. Hollis Jones	300
Kemper	Blackwater	Rev. Al Finch	Rev. Kermit Sharp	500
Lafayette	Oxford, First	Film	Miss Louise Cartledge	1,000
Leflore	First, Greenwood	Rev. Charles Gentry	Charlie Hood	500
Marshall	First, Holly Springs	Dr. Levon Moore	Oliver Bumpas	500
Pearl River	McNeill	Rev. Bill Ross	Rev. Louis Hastings	300
Perry	Richton	Feature	W. W. Anderson	300
Sharkey-I.	Rolling Fork	Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins	David Priddy	200
Simpson	Mendenhall	Rev. W. C. Gann	William B. Miller	1,000
Tishomingo	Calvary	Rev. Bob Norman	Mrs. Grank Shoffner	400
Wayne	First, Waynesboro	Pricard, Ala.	Tom Gore	800
Walshall	Tylertown	Dr. John Maddox	Mrs. Sam Dyar	470
Winston	First, Louisville	Combined Choirs	Howard Taylor	551
Yalobusha	Coffeeville	Rev. Wayne Jones	Brandon Jones, Jr.	175
Yazoo	Yazoo City, First	Speakers	Eugene Turner	425
Pontotoc	Zion Church	Rev. Earl Kelly	Lewis Shettles	400
Rankin	1st, Brandon	Rev. Bob Marsh, Mobile	Mr. Marvin Wynn	475
Riverside	Oakhurst, C'dale	Rev. J. R. Davis	Rev. W. F. Garner	575
Sunflower	1st, Indianola	Rev. Robert Tucker	Rev. Bob Trotter	213
Tate	Coldwater	Dr. S. A. Murphy	Rev. Bob Phillips	250
Union	Port Gibson	Dr. Schuyler Batson	Homer Cupit	750
Warren	Vicksburg, 1st	Oxford	Bill Fennell, Jr.	
Washington	Greenville, 1st	Rev. Bill Causey	Mrs. Charles Stanford	650
		Meridian		



# Busy Baptists Last Week — Throughout The Entire State

## —AT BLUE MOUNTAIN



THE FOUR young people who came the greatest distance seem happy upon arrival at the Dedicated Youth Conference held on Friday and Saturday of last week on the campus of Blue Mountain College. They are, from left: Tommy Gill, Lucedale; Vicki Gay and Gwen Lord, Petal, and Don Walters, Lucedale.



THREE STUDENTS take time out on the steps of Garrett Hall to chat with Rev. James Harrell, associate in the State Training Union Department, sponsor of the event. They are: Glenn Davis, Houston; Anita Reed and Joyce Westbrook, Meridian. Directing was Kermit King, state Training Union Director.



DR. JAMES L. TRAVIS, Professor of Bible at Blue Mountain college, assists in handing registration cards for a group from Duck Hill Church. They are, left to right: Linda Riley, Jackie Britt, Kathy Branscome, and Diane Abel. There were 215 young people registered, with fifteen faculty members.

## —AT CAMP GARAYWA



TWENTY-SIX foreign countries were represented at the International Houseparty held at Camp Garaywa during the Thanksgiving holidays. Many of the 78 registered pose for the photographer. The event is sponsored annually by the State W. M. U. and the State Department of Baptist Student Work.



FOMIKO MITA, of Japan, a student at MSCW, wears one of the most colorful costumes to be found at the Houseparty.



DR. H. Y. MULLIKIN, professor of Astronomy, Georgetown College, Ky., program personality, shows telescope to several. They are, from left: Frank Horton, student director, Mississippi State; Dr. Mullikin; Dorsey Deaton (Miss. College); Eunih Pang of Korea (Miss. State); and Prim Pachimsawat, Thailand (Blue Mountain).



MISS EDWINA ROBINSON, WMU Executive Secretary, (second from left) and Dr. Herbert C. Jackson, professor of Comparative Religion at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., (at right) "coach" two students as they play a game of shuffleboard between sessions of the Houseparty.



REV. RALPH B. WINDERS, state Director of Student Work, greeted many of the students present for the Houseparty. Here he greets and chats at length with two students from Calcutta. They are, from left: Biswendra Dasgupta and Arun Kumar Dalal, both of Ole Miss.



THE HOUSEPARTY HOSTS, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Halliday of Jackson (at right) look at three of the flags displayed, along with three students. They are, from left: Jim Furey, Mississippi State; Mar'o E. Lemus, Mexico, Mississippi State; and Emelda V. Capati, Ole Miss.

## —AT HATTIESBURG



DR. CLYDE BRYAN, host pastor, greets several of the leaders who came to the First Church of Hattiesburg last Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for the statewide Adult Sunday School Institute. From left: Dr. Bryan, Dr. John Sisemore, Nashville, Institute director; Dr. Joel Ray, professor of Religious Education, Carey College, and Bryant Cummings, Jackson, state Sunday School secretary.



REV. TOM DOUGLAS, associate in the State Sunday School Department, shows poster used during Institute to several. They are, from left: Bob Durham, superintendent of Adult II Sunday School Department, Center Terrace Church, Canton; Mark Moore, educational director, Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson; Mr. Douglas; and Miss Ethel McKeithen, educational director, First Church, Columbus.



SEVEN MEN from Temple Church, Hattiesburg, participate in a class officers' demonstration. They are, from left: Joe Hill, Henry Coker, Ethan Moore, Fred Broome, Joe McCall, Reese Snell, and Joe Dragula.



## "M" Night

Almost 30,000 Mississippi Baptists are expected to attend the Training Union "M" Night Rallies which will be held in Associations all over the state next Monday night. "M" stands for Mobilization and refers to the mobilization of Training Union forces for the new year's work. The theme for 1961 is "Be Thou Faithful."

The "M" Night meetings now bring together the largest number of Southern Baptists of any type of meetings held by the denomination. Last year's attendance in the Convention totaled 473,928, and the goal for this year is 600,000.

No other denomination has an organization just like the Training Union. It makes available training and enlistment for the entire church membership.

## God Uses Laymen

God uses laymen.

Throughout Bible history, when God had a job to be done, he called on an individual to do it. Often that call went to a layman.

God is still using laymen. A survey quickly reveals how large a place the layman has in the Lord's work today. Mississippi Baptists, both in the churches and the denomination, are blessed by the service of as fine a group of laymen as may be found anywhere.

Many examples could be given. One is Mr. M. F. Rayburn, who has just completed two years as president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. In his devotion to his task, unselfish service to the denomination, wise leadership and counsel, and witness for Christ, Mr. Rayburn has shown how a trained, experienced business executive, can use his abilities and talents for God. As we watched him in action during the recent Convention we found ourselves breathing a prayer of gratitude to God for him.

Mr. Rayburn is just one example of many that could be given. Large numbers of laymen serve on Boards and Committees of our Convention, and thousands of others serve in their churches. Without their faithful support the Lord's work would soon begin to fail.

Yes, God is using consecrated laymen. He is looking for many more!

## Noteworthy Achievement

Announcement is made this week of another noteworthy achievement by Mississippi College. The Music Department has just been accorded membership in the National Association of Schools of Music.

That only two other colleges in the state have been thus accredited.

This is simply a proof of the strength of our Baptist schools and the superior quality of their curriculum. We congratulate our oldest college, its administration, and Dr. Jack Layall and the faculty of the Music Department on this worthy achievement.

## Have You Done Your Part?

In recent days many churches over the state have been in the midst of finance campaigns for their 1961 budgets. Some have reported notable victories, while others are still seeking to achieve their goals.

It is a time for every member to respond to the needs of his church. We believe that most members intend to support the program of their churches during the coming year. Would it not be encouraging and strengthening to the church program to express that purpose with a pledge now? Most of us make pledges to almost everyone else. Why not also make a pledge to the church?

Thousands of pledges now could insure great programs both at home and throughout the world in 1961.

## The Glory of God in Nature

The 19th Psalm exclaims "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork." One is not required to look up into the heavens to see the revelation of the glory of God. All he need do right now is look around him.

We do not remember a more beautiful fall in this area. The colors have been lavishly spread across the landscape, painting scenes which are indescribable. Reds, yellows, browns and other colors were mingled everywhere in pictures which only the Master Artist could create. A drive or walk in city or country in recent days brought joy to the soul.

Just looking at the glory of nature makes us understand the words of Genesis 1:13, at the close of the creation of plant life on God's third day of creation. The Word says, "And God saw that it was good." Of course, this is said on other creation days too, but a look at botanical creation reveals how perfect was the work of God.

How can any person fail to believe in God when he studies the wonders of nature?

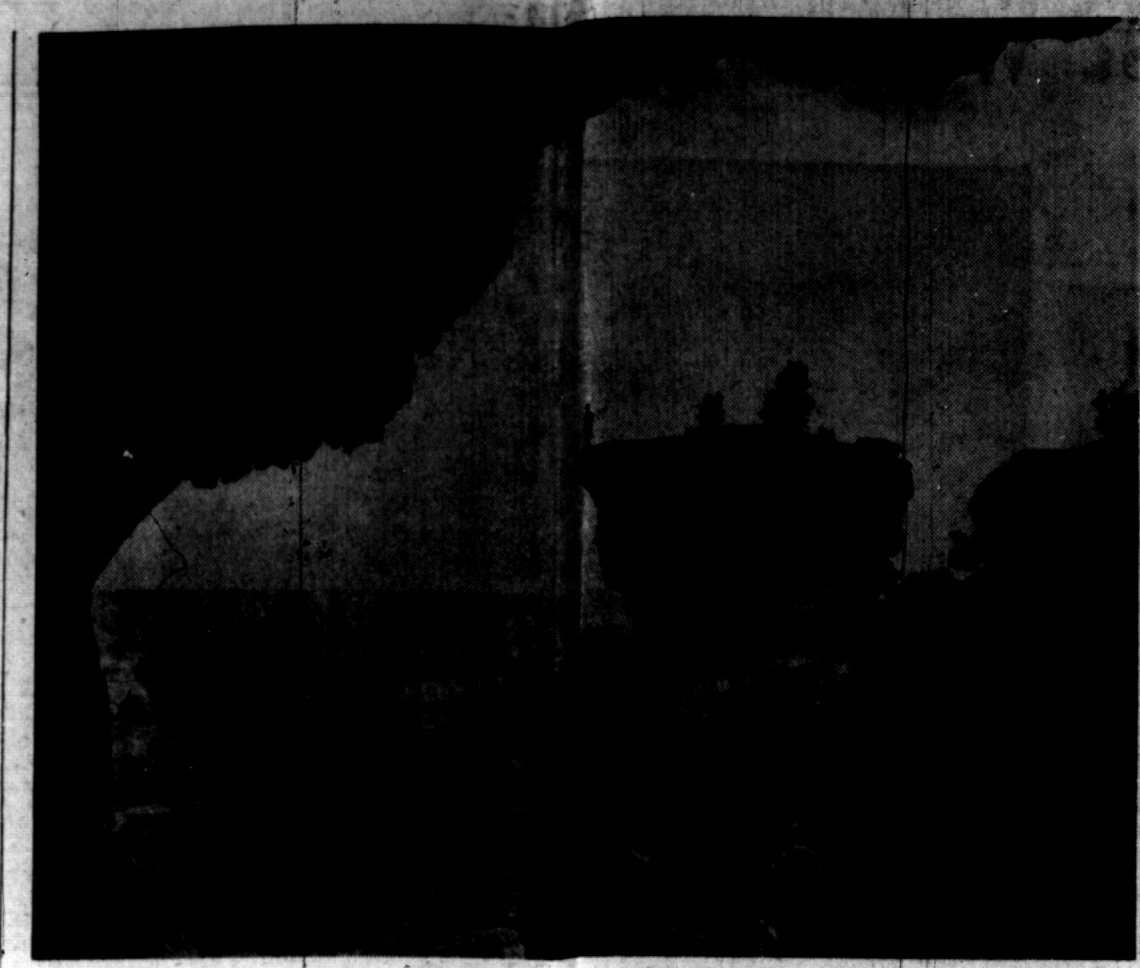
## GUEST EDITORIAL

## Leaving The Old Folks On The Ice

Erwin L. McDonald in the  
Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine

One of the most senseless and sinful practices of our modern civilization is that of arbitrarily forcing retirement of workmen at a given age regardless of whether or not they are capable and willing to go on working. This is no more commendable than the selfish scheme of the New Dealers to plow under crops and destroy hogs and cattle so that we Americans might have more of the good things of life in a world in which people are dying by the millions for want of good, clothing and shelter. It is actually more heartless than disposing of old folks the way the Eskimos do, by taking them far out on the ice and leaving them to die. At least the Eskimos do not destroy their aged until they are no longer able to do their share of the family labors.

To deprive a person of his work or profession is to take from him his chief purpose for living. Most people who work like their work and are not so much serving for



WHEN I CONSIDER thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which Thou hast ordained; what is man, that Thou art mindful of him? Psalms 8:3-4a.



## The Faith Of A Stranger

The faith of a stranger

He was more than a stranger. He was an alien, a foreigner. Literally he was an alien, sprung from another race (Luke 17:18).

Perhaps that is why Jesus thought that the faith of this Samaritan leper was so commendable. According to the narrative, ten lepers had requested benefit from Jesus. Jesus had responded with a benevolent gift. The nine (Jews by implication) became guilty of a broken responsibility, for they did not return to

express their gratitude to Jesus. Only one, a foreigner, had faith enough to say, "Thank you." The response of the Samaritan showed a beautiful faith, in part because it was not reasonably expected.

It is not uncommon even today for the most commendable response to the Gospel to be made by those from whom it should be least expected. Hence the faith of the foreigner on the mission field often shames even those of us who send him the missionary.

Jubilee Songs  
For Baptist  
Jubilee Advance

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BPN)

A 96-page collection of hymns and gospel songs especially designed to emphasize the various evangelistic and revival crusades during the years of Southern Baptists' Jubilee Advance, will be published by Broadman Press, Nashville, Jan. 16.

Entitled "Jubilee Songs," this paperback song book is expected to render special service in

the 30,000 New Church and Mission Movement as well as in revival meetings and evangelistic efforts of all types.

This songbook will be available at Baptist Book Stores after Jan. 16.

NASHVILLE — (BP) — Belmont College here has employed G. Temp Sparkman to serve as Director of Student Religious Life and Enrollment. A graduate of this Baptist college, Sparkman has been minister of Education at Auburndale Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.

their pay checks as for the satisfaction of doing something creative and worthwhile. Sir John Lubbock has expressed it well in *High Points*: "The idle man does not know what it is to enjoy rest. Hard work, moreover, not only tends to give us rest for the body, but, what is more important, peace to the mind." And people do not cease to need rest for their bodies and peace of mind when they reach "retirement age."

In our whirl of inflation and mounting taxation, fewer and fewer people are ever able financially to retire. Social Security and other retirement plans notwithstanding. To force the retirement of an able workman when retirement means loss of livelihood often is to condemn one who has been faithful all his life to die of slow starvation.

It is ironic, indeed, that our churches—where we are supposed to go by the Good Book and where we preach and teach that all of life is sacred and that God has a life-long place of service for every one of us—are among the chief offenders. The unwholesome practice of not even considering a man for pastor unless he is "young" or "in his thirties," or "not over fifty," puts many a preacher on the shelf while he is still in his prime. Those who are becoming alarmed because we are developing a shortage of preachers and are seeing fewer young men dedicate their lives to the ministry might take this into account. Few if any professions require more academic preparation than does the ministry. And who wants to spend half his normal life going to school and getting ready for a work when he knows he will have just a few years of privilege to serve? By the time the average preacher is 50 or 60—just old enough to be a "junior" senator in the United States Senate—he is too old, regardless of his years of experience and training, to be seriously considered as pastor, as far as the most of our churches are concerned. Business and industry, with their arbitrary deadlines of retirement at 65 or 70, are proving to be better stewards of the greatest of all our assets, manpower, than our churches. This ought to call churches to repentance.

As far as preachers are concerned, there is one bright light that has just begun to shine through the prison bars of forced retirement. It is used to be that once a preacher had officially retired and had started drawing his retirement check from the Annuity Board he was not permitted to serve a church as supply pastor for a period longer than three months. Now the Annuity Board has made a notable and commendable exception which should prove to be a blessing to older preachers as well as to the cause of Christ. "Retired" ministers are now permitted to serve a new church as pastor for as long as a year without having his retirement income stopped. This new policy was adopted primarily as an aid to the 30,000 Movement program by which Southern Baptists are seeking to double the number of preaching stations across the convention. Perhaps it will help some of our people to see that as long as a person is able and willing, God can use him to extend His Kingdom on earth.

## Calendar of Prayer

December 5 — Caby Byrne, Student Director, Mississippi College; George Nichols, District Representative, Sunday School Department.

December 6 — Mrs. Frances Winters, William Carey College faculty; Cople Myers, Baptist Book Store.

December 7 — Mrs. V. W. Tanyas, Lowndes Association WMU President; Russell Shows Rankin Association Training Union Director.

December 8 — Lloyd Sparkman, Trustee, Blue Mountain College; Landis Herrin, Lebanon Association Brotherhood President.

December 9 — Mrs. Margaret Clinton, Baptist Building; Jeanette Pickens, Baptist Building.

December 10 — Mrs. Judith Fortenberry, Baptist Book Store; Jimmy Lampkin, Baptist Book Store.

December 11 — Mrs. Lilly McAlpine, Baptist Orphanage staff; E. P. Burke, Carroll-Montgomery Superintendent of Missions.

## Pages

## From The Past

By J. L. BOYD, Sr.

## 60 Years Ago

Pastor W. J. Derrick tells of plans and specifications having been drawn up for a new house of worship by the Yazoo City Baptist Church in a city of 6,000 people. He concluded, "Our people are full of hope and determination."

The Babies' Branch of the W.M.U. in Mississippi "is meeting with approval." So says a leader of what perhaps was known as Sunbeam Bands. The first SB was started in the Clinton Baptist Church by Mrs. B. D. Gray, the pastor's wife, in the 1880's with one little girl, her own child.

## 50 Years Ago

The State Convention met in Greenwood in 1910. At the opening session the secretary announced 166 messengers enrolled. Hon. W. M. Whittington of that city was elected president and Governor E. F. Noel, vice president. Walton E. Lee recording secretary. The Convention sermon was delivered by Pastor T. J. Shipman of First Church, Meridian. The Convention Board reported \$83,317.26 received for all objects, \$22,054.90 for state missions. The Board assisted 201 churches in paying their pastors, with 18 of them becoming self-supporting. The W.M.U. report was read by R. A. Kimbrough who was chairman of a committee of seven preachers, and spoken to by Kimbrough and seven other preachers. The women had contributed to all objects \$237,459.42. (Let it be remembered that women at that time were not permitted to appear before the Convention. There were however women registered messengers in the Convention.) There were 367 young men enrolled in Mississippi College, (the only Baptist school of senior grade in the state then.) (Blue Mountain College was privately owned and operated.)

MY ANSWER by Billy Graham (Doubleday and Company, 259 pp., \$3.50)

Presents hundreds of the most interesting questions put to Mr. Graham in his daily syndicated column. The questions and answers are classified under twenty-seven headings. Some of these concern salvation, the church, prayer, the future, citizenship, doubts, marriage, family, etc., etc. Scriptural, Christ-honoring advice from this great Christian leader concerning some of life's perplexing problems and crises. A book that will be referred to again and again.

BEHOLD THE MAN by Walter Pope Binns (Broadman, 128 pp., \$2.50)

For seventeen years the author, as president of William Jewell College in Missouri, has delivered the annual baccalaureate sermon at the commencement season. Twelve of these sermons have been selected for this volume. Here is great preaching on Christ, life, faith, and other themes.

THE CURRICULUM GUIDE 1961, edited by Clifton J. Allen and W. L. Howse (Convention Press, 157 pp.)

Annual volume describing all of the curriculum materials published by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Explains the foundations of the curriculum, and then describes all the course and materials offered.

BETWEEN YOU, ME AND THE GATEPOST by Pat Boone (Prentice-Hall, Inc., 153 pp., \$2.95)

One of the idols of many of today's youth talks to them about some of the problems concerning which they have asked him. Heart to heart talks on problems of personality, vocation, parents, love, marriage, morals, etc. Reveals how youth needs God in every experience. This should become another best seller.

KESWICK'S AUTHENTIC VOICE edited by Herbert F. Stevenson (Zondervan, 528 pp., \$5.95)

Since 1875 what has often been called one of the greatest spiritual life conferences in the world has been the Keswick Convention which is held annually in England. Outstanding speakers from all over the world have appeared on its programs, and Christians from every nation have attended. In this volume the editor has selected sixty five of the outstanding addresses delivered between 1875 and 1897. Such names as F. B. Meyer, H. C. G. Moule, J. Taylor Smith, Andrew Murray, W. H. Griffith Thomas, R. A. Torrey, G. Campbell Morgan, and many other great Bible teachers are among those whose messages are included. Preachers and other Christians will find spiritual refreshing in these pages.

BAPTIST  
FORUM

## Record Travels

To Ohio

In this morning's mail we received our copy of *The Baptist Record*, November 17 issue, and we were so pleased with the many excellent articles it contained. Each week we enjoy reading about Baptist events in our home state, but this issue was especially good. This was one issue that was quite "cut up" for my files.

The Lord is blessing us in our mission pastorate here, and we know this is an answer to the continued prayers of those of you in First Baptist Church. With assistance from a loan from the Home Mission Board we are almost at the stage in erecting a new building that we can move in for services in the new church. Our first services of any kind in the building will be a thanksgiving service on Thanksgiving morning; we have not yet installed heat, lights, or doors, but we felt we would be so ungrateful not to have this prayer and praise service anyway.

Thank you for making available to all Mississippians (both at home and away from home) such a useful, informative, and inspirational paper. We appreciate and need your continuing prayers for our work here.

Sincerely,

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## Wm. Carey Students Set Lottie Moon Goal of \$1350

A Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal of \$1350 was adopted by Carey College students and faculty. Nina Sue Mason, Tupelo, President of the Young Woman's Auxiliary, along with other Baptist religious leaders on the campus, formulated plans for the Foreign Mission Emphasis Week and the collecting of the mission offering.

"His Peace For the Multitudes" is the theme for the week of emphasis on foreign missions, November 28-December 5. This theme is being emphasized during the morning-watch periods each day. The programs are under the direction of Pat Kerr, Meridian, YWA Devotional Chairman. A 24-hour prayer chain was planned for November 28 — for the purpose of acquainting the students with the spiritual needs of the world.

A playlet, presenting the life of Lottie Moon — pioneer missionary to China, for whom the Foreign Mission Offering was named — will be presented on December 1. Annie Lou Herrin, Hattiesburg, YWA Program Chairman, will direct the playlet; she will be assisted by the following YWA Circle Chairmen: Glenda Nix, Bay Springs; Marion Meredith, Mobile, Alabama; Jackie Coats, Laurel; and Jan O'Quin, Tylertown.

The mission study supper for the Carey students will be held in Fellowship Hall of Immanuel Church on December 6, with Mrs. H. W. Powell as teacher of the book, "Caribbean Quest." Evelyn Howard, Lumberton, YWA Mission Study Chairman, and Barbara Robertson, Pascagoula, YWA Stewardship Chairman, will be in charge of the mission study supper.

The climax of the Foreign Mission Emphasis activities will be the dedication service for the offering, which is scheduled during the assembly period on December 8. Rev. Dewey Merritt, missionary to Nigeria, will bring the missionary message at that time.

## Hernando Church Crowns Queen

Sandra Sowell was crowned Queen in a GA Coronation held recently at Hernando Church. The program, under the theme "A Story to Tell," was conducted by Mrs. Ovin Ray, W-MU president.

Others receiving recognition were Cathy Cook, Nancy Hardin, and Stacey Avara as Ladies-in-Waiting and Zada Harris as Maiden. Previously this year at a Presentation Service and tea other GA's received Maiden awards: Di-Ann Shaw, Sara Chambers, Jan Garner, Barbara Johnson, Betty Kay Weeks, Wanda Bouchillon, and Carolyn Nee.

Mrs. Veazey Miller served as GA Director, 1959-60; counselors were Mrs. O. W. Hardin, Mrs. J. R. Tipton Jr. and Mrs. Miller. The pastor is Rev. W. E. Corkern.

## NILAND CHAPEL ORDAINS PASTOR

On November 20, Niland Chapel Church in Bolivar County ordained Rev. H. R. Gaddy, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Gaddy of Sunflower Community, to the gospel ministry.

Rev. James Funniss of Memphis, Tennessee, delivered the ordination message; Rev. Leon Emory of Merigold gave the charge to the pastor; Rev. Jack Farmer of Duncan gave the charge to the church. Rev. Bradley Pope of Shelby presented the Bible.

Deacons from Duncan Church, Riverside Church, Clarksdale, and Niland Chapel participated in the service. Several visiting preachers were in attendance.

Rev. Gaddy is married and has a small daughter.



T. COOPER WALTON, Chairman of the Budget Campaign, left, and Dr. David Grant, pastor, hold a placard proclaiming victory at Broadmoor Church. The pledge figure grew to even greater heights, as told in the story below.

## BROADMOOR OVERSUBSCRIBES RECORD BUDGET BY \$11,472.54

Broadmoor Church, Jackson, after setting a record budget of \$169,923.75, oversubscribed that budget by \$11,472.55.

With 1249 pledging and 769 titling, the total pledges amounted to \$181,396.28, or \$3,448.39 weekly.

On Pledge Sunday, November 20, Sunday school attendance was 978, which was an all-time high second only to 1050 in September. Training Union attendance of 431 was an all-time high.

The Pledge March was used. Tallying was done and canvassers were assigned cards to pick up after a light lunch. Practically all of the canvassing was done on Sunday afternoon. However, canvassing was also done on Monday night which completed the campaign.

A sermon by the pastor on November 13 was entitled, "Where Your Dollar Goes." He used sectioned dollars (circles) giving the percentages for various causes. Three giant posters were set up at the front on which appeared the sectioned church budget, state budget, and convention budget.

A stewardship rally was held November 16.

Rather than have a Loyalty Dinner the church had a Sack Snack. The ladies filled 750 sacks with sandwiches, cookies etc. The Brotherhood was responsible for serving the drinks

Over 600 people were served.

Program — The program began at 7:10 P. M. with an introduction by T. Cooper Walton, Chairman of the Campaign. The program was made up largely of presentations by the various graded choirs. A highlight of the evening was the dramatization of the church budget written by Mrs. Dudley Hughes, a member of the church. Concluding the program was a challenge by Dr. David R. Grant, pastor of the church which led into the singing of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" by the Sanctuary Choir. An actual count of 608 present was made.

DALLAS — (BP) — The First Baptist Church of Dallas has oversubscribed a record \$1,195,000 budget, believed to be "the largest local church budget in the history of Christendom." Pledges in a "Victory Sunday" Stewardship Commitment Drive totaled \$1,200,290.

FORT WORTH, Texas — Southern Baptists' Radio-Television Commission has received the Freedoms Foundation George Washington Honor Medal Award for Television for the second time. Dr. M. E. Sadler, President of Texas Christian University, presented the award for the Foundation.

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## NAMES In The News

Rev. Ben H. Davis has accepted a call to Mt. Zion Church in Pike County, as pastor, resigning the Beulah Church in Newton County. A graduate of Clarke College, he attended Howard College Extension.

Robert Laessing, a former missionary in Africa, will join the faculty of Carver School of Missions and Social Work, Louisville, Ky., next summer. Laessing has been directing the program of linguistics at Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee. He has served there for 13 years.

Dr. Harold G. Basden, former pastor of Calvary Church, Jackson and now pastor of Gaston Avenue Church, Dallas, will be the "M" Night speaker for Lebanon Association on December 5. The meeting will be held at Temple Church, Hattiesburg.

Dr. Norman O'Neal, Professor of Religious Education, Mississippi College, will speak and lead conferences for the annual Rural Church Conference to be held at Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Fla., December 12-14. Dr. James E. Southerland, president of Institute, is a former pastor of First Church, Oxford.

Henry E. Love, a former pastor's assistant at First Church, Jackson, celebrated his tenth anniversary as Minister of Education at First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

L. B. Cobb, associate secretary of the Texas Baptist Cooperative Program and Church Finance Department, has resigned his position and will establish a home in Memphis, Tenn. in January. — (BP)

Dr. Chester E. Swor, Baptist youth leader of Jackson, spoke on Christian Education at the meeting of the Alabama Baptist State Convention in Birmingham recently.

Larry Grantham, a Mississippi College graduate now attending Southwestern Seminary, is the new Youth Director at College Avenue Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Texas.

Rev. Dewey Merritt, missionary to Nigeria, presently residing in Clinton, will speak at a church-wide Missions Banquet

at Daniel Memorial Church Jackson on December 2.

Rev. Raymond Willis has been appointed as an associate chaplain in the Department of Pastoral Care at Mississippi State Hospital, Whitfield. A part time chaplain at the hospital for the past eight years, he is beginning on a full time basis December 1. He has served as a teaching missionary for the Home Mission Board at the Mississippi Baptist Seminary in Jackson for the past ten years.

Bryant M. Cummings, Mississippi Baptist Convention church building consultant and secretary of the Sunday School Department, will attend a conference for Southern Baptist state church building consultants in Nashville, Dec. 12-13. He, along with Joe Haynes, Rev. Tom Douglas, Rev. John Alexander and Miss Carolyn Madison, will also meet with state Sunday School secretaries and associates Dec. 14-16 at the Sunday School Board with members of the Board's Sunday School Department.

Evangelist Billy Graham will lead a two-day emphasis on evangelism at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Dec. 8-9 and preach at his own church in Dallas, Dec. 11. Graham will speak twice daily to the students, faculty and their families at the world's largest Protestant Theological Seminary.

Rev. Ralph B. Winders, director of the Department of Student work along with thirty state Baptist Student Union secretaries, will convene with the Sunday School Board's Student Department in Nashville for their annual meeting December 13-16.

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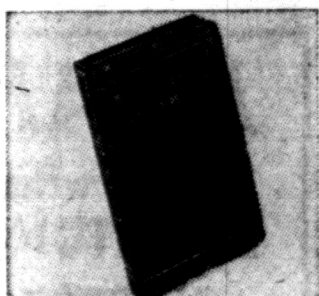
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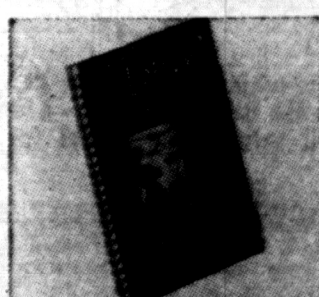
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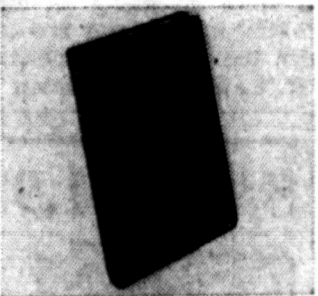
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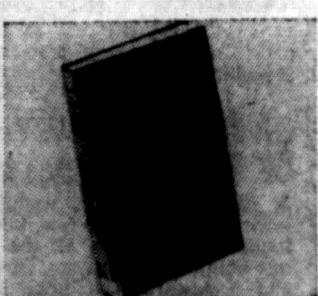
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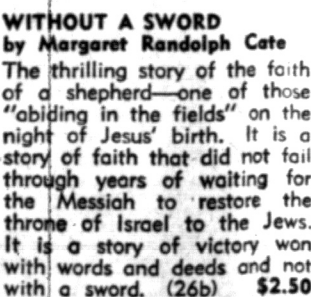


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Thursday, March 9—Second Avenue Baptist Church, Laurel  
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Tuesday, March 21—First Baptist Church, Columbus  
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## Music Department

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## Total Festival Schedule For 1961 Youth Choir (Clinic) Festival

The Youth Choir Festival at Mississippi College is scheduled for Saturday, February 4. Mr. William J. Reynolds, Church Music Department, Baptist Sunday School Board is our guest conductor for this festival. Secure your music immediately and learn the numbers well before the festival. These numbers can be secured at the Baptist Bookstore in Jackson and charged to your regular church account.

### JUNIOR CHOIR (CLINIC) FESTIVALS

These festivals will be held February 11, William Carey College, February 18, First Baptist Church, Tupelo, February 25, Mississippi College. Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Phillips of Decatur, Georgia will serve as guest conductors in all of these festivals. Music can be secured at the Baptist Bookstore in Jackson and charged to your regular church account. Secure your music immediately and learn the numbers well.

### HYMN PLAYING FESTIVALS

The hymn playing festivals are open to students ages 9-16 inclusive. Each church may enter 4 new entries and all students who have entered before are eligible to enter continuously until the student reaches the age of 17.

**Dates and places:**  
Monday, February 13—Second Avenue Baptist Church, Laurel  
Tuesday, February 14—First Baptist Church, Gulfport  
Monday, February 20—First Baptist Church, Brookhaven  
Monday, February 27—Fifteenth Ave. Baptist Church, Meridian  
Tuesday, February 28—First Baptist Church, Columbus  
Thursday, March 2—First Baptist Church, Pontotoc  
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CHERRY CREEK CHURCH, Pontotoc County, recently held a G. A. Coronation, recognizing Patsy Tedford and Paula Grant as Queens Regent. There were five Queens-with-a-Scepter, two Princesses, three Ladies-in-Waiting, and one Maiden. R. A. boys were ushers. Rev. Robert E. Deline is the pastor.



SUNRISE ZION-HILL Church held a G. A. Coronation service on September 18, using the theme "Christ for the Whole Wide World," and crowning Linda Fennell as Queen. Mrs. Irma Odum, G. A. counselor, presided; Mrs. J. V. Hulsey presented the awards to four Maidens; one Lady-in-Waiting; and two Princesses. Mrs. W. E. Plant is the WMU President; Rev. J. S. Johnson, Jr. is pastor.



AT THE G. A. CORONATION SERVICE held at Benton Church, four girls were crowned queen. There was one princess and five maidens. (Four of the maidens belong to the G. A. at Central Church.) The queens pictured above are Nell Hancock, Mary Warnock, Diane Hopson and Sue Sumeral. The G. A. Counselor at Benton is Mrs. Monroe Hancock and at Central Church Mrs. Perian Germany. The WMU President at the Benton Church is Mrs. R. W. White and at Central Church Mrs. Cornelia Johnson.



"A SAVIOUR TO SHOW TO THE NATIONS" was the theme of the G. A. Coronation at Saucier Chapel, Saucier. Two girls became Ladies-in-Waiting and four were recognized as Maidens. Mrs. W. A. Smith is G. A. Director and Rev. Gerald James is the pastor.



WIGGINS, FIRST CHURCH in their recent G. A. Coronation bestowed the award of Queen Regent on Miss Rachel Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ward of Wiggins. Miss Ward, a senior in high school, is very active in the church and is a volunteer for full-time Christian service. She is an accomplished pianist and soloist. Miss Mike Annis became Queen-with-a-Scepter. Five Maidens, five Ladies-in-Waiting, and three Princesses were recognized. Mrs. B. C. Batson is WMU President; Mrs. N. J. Lee is G. A. Director, and Dr. U. Karl Pereg is the pastor.

## Foreign Mission Board Reports To The People

### Cautious Confident of Advance Program Funds

In his report to the Foreign Mission Board in its November meeting, Executive Secretary Baker J. Cauten expressed confidence that this year's Advance Program funds from the Cooperative Program will provide more than the \$800,000 needed from this source for the Board's 1961 budget. (Cooperative Program money received after the Southern Baptist Convention's operating budget is met is called Advance Program funds and is shared by the Foreign and the Home Mission Boards, with the Foreign Board receiving 75 per cent.)

"If as much money is received by the S.B.C. Executive Committee in November and December as was received in the corresponding months in 1959 the Foreign Mission Board will receive \$873,027," he said. "If there is a 3 per cent increase in November and December over the amount received last year the Foreign Mission Board will receive \$945,405."

"This is also the period of the year when the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is being received. It is impossible to state fully the importance of this Offering as it reaches toward its goal of \$8,700,000. Of this, \$3,000,000 will constitute a part of the Board's 1961 budget and will be used for support of missionaries, operating expenses of schools, hospitals, evangelistic work, and many other purposes."

"The remainder of the offering will be used chiefly for capital purposes. The very large requests for funds for church buildings, schools, hospitals, theological seminaries, mission residences, and other purposes could not be considered without this great Offering which brings reinforcement year by year."

### James D. Crane Named Field Representative

In its program of strengthening administrative arrangements for Latin America, the Board named Rev. James D. Crane, missionary to Mexico, as field representative for the area made up of Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and the Baptist Spanish Publishing House in El Paso, Tex.

### Couple Approved for English Work on Guam

After studying the request of a Southern Baptist group on Guam and hearing the report of Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, the Foreign Mission Board approved in principle the placement of a missionary couple on the island for English-speaking work.

Early this year a two-year old Southern Baptist fellowship group on Guam organized itself into a congregation with a full program of worship, evangelism, and religious education under the sponsorship of Ardmore Baptist Church of Memphis, Tenn. This congregation has requested the Foreign Mission Board to provide help along the lines of its present policy with regard to English-language work overseas.

Dr. Crawley explained that although Guam is technically a territory of the United States it is much nearer in location, background, and original culture to the Philippines and other East Asia area than to this country. On the island are nearly 40,000 Guamanians, of Polynesian lineage and largely Roman Catholic in religion, thousands of Filipino contract workers, and more than 20,000 Stateside Americans. The majority of the Americans are military personnel and dependents; but a number of them are civilians related to the military forces, to local government and schools, or to private business enterprises. Among them are probably 1,200 to 1,500 Southern Baptists.

### Central Africa Work Continues Amid Unrest

In his report Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, said there has been a noticeable increase in political unrest and racial tension in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland. However, Southern Baptist missionaries there do not feel that they are in danger. "They feel that their ministry is more needed than ever; and their chief concern is that they may continue to have freedom to move among the

African population, preaching, teaching, and serving," Dr. Goerner said.

"In contrast with these troubled conditions elsewhere, Nigeria moves into its second month of national independence without any indications of internal disorder. Evidence continues to come to light that most Nigerians have a deep sense of gratitude for the recognized contributions of Christian missionaries."

Dr. Goerner said an unusual evidence of the continuing desire for American personnel in Africa came recently from Ghana. A communication from the Ministry of Education of the Ghana Government invited the Foreign Mission Board to assist in the recruiting of trained teachers for service in secondary schools operated by the Government. "While it is doubtful that the Board will be able to render assistance in this regard to the extent hoped for by education officials in Ghana, an effort will be made to publicize the needs and place interested persons in direct contact with the proper officials," Dr. Goerner said.



ROYAL AMBASSADORS at Calvary, Greenwood, are pictured above, left to right, first row: Jimmy Ingram, Jerry Smith, Charles Smith, Larry Smith, Wayne Smith. Second row, left to right, Jackie Story, Squire, Tommy Marquis, Lonnie Welch, Rodney Welch. At extreme right is Lee Ferrell, State R. A. Director.

## CALVARY, GREENWOOD, SPOTLIGHTS R. A.'S

The Royal Ambassadors of Calvary Church, Greenwood, received attention during R. A. Focus Week, November 6-12, in three special activities.

At the Sunday morning worship service the boys were

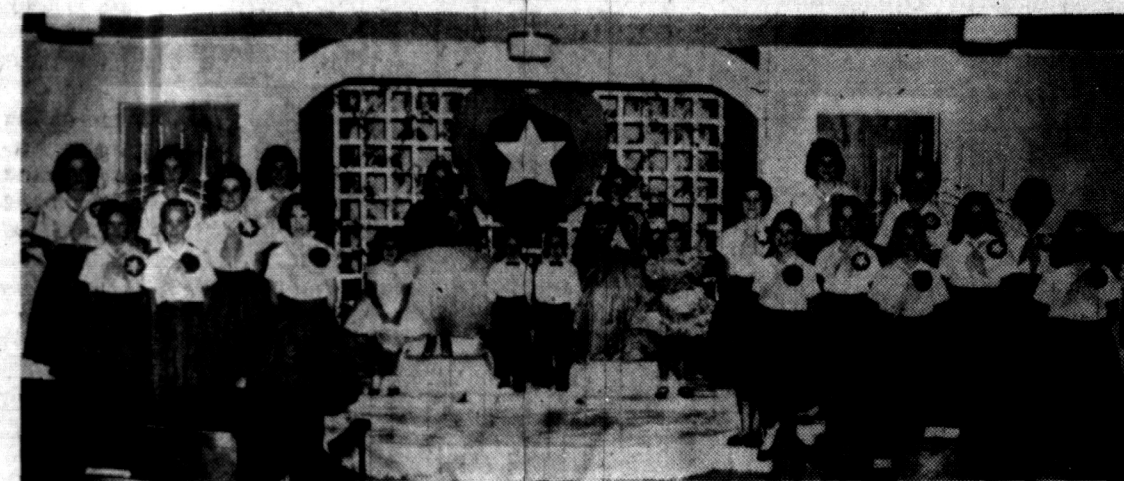
recognized as a group by the pastor, Rev. Wilburn Matthews R. A.'s who were ushers for the service wore new uniforms, which the boys receive after completing the rank of Page. A special R. A. Choin, under

the direction of J. W. Hickson, Jr., sang "Ambassadors for Jesus" in the evening worship service.

On Tuesday night, the R. A.'s and their fathers had a hobo party, with 26 boys present. Prizes for the best-dressed "hobos" were awarded to Henry Dunn (first prize), George Smith (second prize) and Lonnie Welch and Tommy Marquis (third prize).

On Wednesday evening a Recognition Service honored boys having passed the rank of Page. Jerry Yocum, counselor, asked the leading questions, assisted by Lonnie Welch and Jackie Story. Charlie Hood, R. A. Committee Chairman, introduced the guest speaker, Lee Ferrell, State R. A. Director, Jackson.

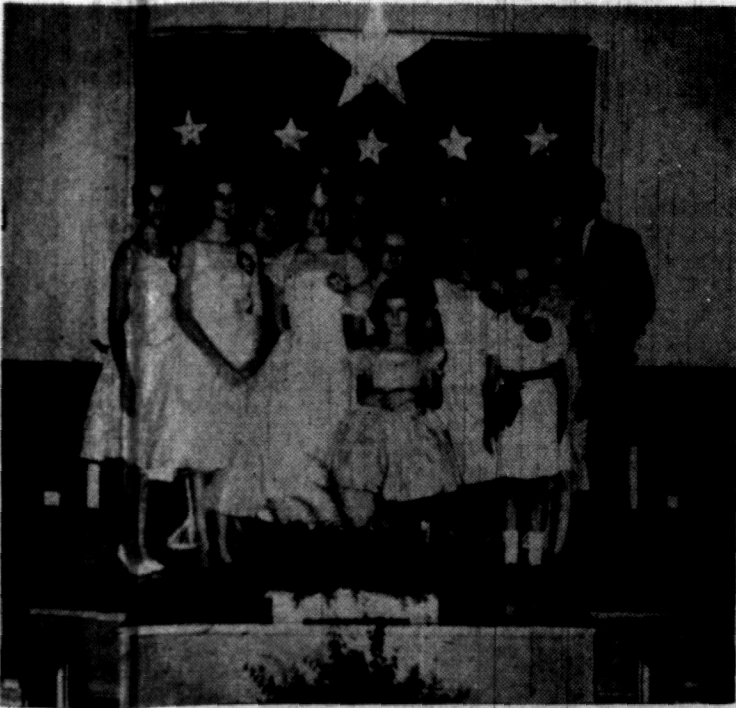
R. A. mothers served refreshments in the educational building following the Recognition Service.



"ADVANCING IN LOVE" was the theme of the annual G. A. Coronation at Griffin Street Church, Moss Point. Linda Beech and Maydis Dyess received their capes as Queens Regent. Five Maidens, five Ladies-in-Waiting, and six Princesses also were recognized. Mrs. Shelby Holland presided; Mrs. Norwood Lambert made the charges; Mrs. James Nixon and Mrs. Ernest Rockwell presented the awards; Mrs. J. F. Taylor is G. A. Director; Rev. Ernest Rockwell is the pastor.



IN A CORONATION service Sunday members of the Girls' Auxiliary of First Church, Water Valley, received awards for work during the past year. Mrs. W. C. Howard, Woman's Missionary Union President, presided over the ceremonies. Participating were six Maidens, five Ladies-in-Waiting, two Queens, and two Queens-with-Scepter. All awards were presented by Mrs. Harold Allen and Mrs. Markley Trusty, Junior G. A. Counselors; Mrs. Ernie Aune is Girls' Auxiliary Director and Intermediate Counselor. Following the service the girls were honored with a reception tea. Ladies of the W. M. U. were hostesses. Rev. W. C. Howard is pastor.



PEACH CREEK Church near Como recently held their G. A. Coronation, using the theme, "Following the Star," and crowning Carmen Sorrells as Queen. Awards were presented to one Princess, one Lady-in-Waiting, and three Maidens. Mrs. Webster Johnson is the WMU President and Rev. Charles Gray is the pastor.

1961 is the Year of Stewardship and Enlistment in the Baptist Jubilee Advance. One of the goals is: \$400 million pledged by Southern Baptists in 1961 to be given during 1962 through their church budgets. More dollars than this will be

given in 1962, since some churches do not ask for written pledges. But if more churches in 1961 will conduct pledging campaigns, the goal of \$400 million pledged can be reached as well as additional offerings received by churches that do not take pledges.

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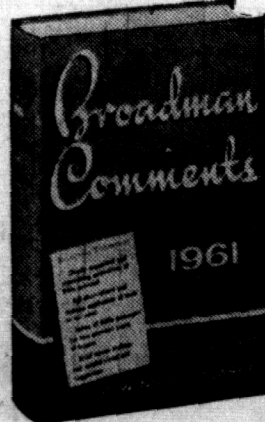
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### Attention!!

All organizations: Woman's Missionary Society; Young Woman's Auxiliaries; Girls' Auxiliaries and Sunbeam Bands!

If your organization did work that would merit recognition as an APPROVED, ADVANCED or HONOR organization last year—we must have that record in the WMU office by December 7. Many organizations sent this record to the associational president (that was correct) and those have been sent to us, however some organizations have indicated that the record has not been mailed. The blanks are in the back of each secretary record and report book. The list of organizations attaining these recognitions must be sent to Birmingham on that date.

### Mission Study Institutes

The Home Mission Graded Series will be used in the Institutes planned for the first week in January 1961. The theme for the series is BAPTIST HERITAGE. The books are:

Adult: The Dreamer Cometh—W. A. Carlton (75c)  
YWA: His to Command—Harold Dye (75c)  
Int. GA: No Greater Heritage—A. B. Cothron (50c)  
Jr. GA: Sawgrass Missionary—Elizabeth Provence (50c)  
Sunbeams: Blue Flower—Jacqueline Durham (50c)  
The teachers helps for each of these are 25c each. All of these can be ordered from the Baptist Book Store.

Dates	Meeting Places
Jan. 3	Greenwood, First
Jan. 4	Batesville, First
Jan. 5	Tupelo, Calvary
Jan. 6	Starkville, First

The team for the meetings listed above is composed of:  
WMS—Mrs. R. M. McCord, Pontotoc  
YWA—Mrs. David Sutton, Greenville  
Int. GA—Louise Cartledge, Oxford  
Jr. GA—Mrs. Milton Tutor, Ingomar  
Sunbeam Band—Mrs. W. L. Carpenter, Pontotoc

Dates	Meeting Places
Jan. 3	Jackson, First
Jan. 4	Newton
Jan. 5	Brookhaven, First
Jan. 6	Petal, Harvey

The team for the meetings listed above is composed of:  
WMS—Mrs. J. C. Gladney, Jackson  
YWA—Mrs. C. W. Eudy, Cleveland  
Int. GA—Mrs. C. O. Smith, Clarke Association  
Jr. GA—Mrs. David Grant, Jackson  
Sunbeam Band—Danny Stampley, Jackson

The meetings will begin at 10 A. M. and continue to 12:30—no lunch will be served. Teachers should purchase books and teaching helps prior to the meetings.



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## Sunday Reports

### Sunday School Attendance Training Union Attendance Additions To The Church

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Bethel (Copiah)	128
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Bethlehem (Jones)	192
Biloxi:	
Forrest Avenue	127
Emmanuel	228
Big Ridge	143
Booneville, First	322
Brookhaven, First	41
Brookhaven, First	215
Main	308
Halbert Heights	99
Bruceton	122
Byram Memo. (Hinds)	129
Calhoun City, First	327
Canton, First	388
Main	146
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Canton, Center Terrace	251
Carthage, First	254
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Cleveland:	
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First	112
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Columbia, First	728
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Grenada	207
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Greenville, First	286
Main	242
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First	569
Main Street	598
Main	531
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Wayside	33
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Parkway	994
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Calvary	497
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Mission	74
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By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell, Scripture Texts: Jeremiah 31; Luke 1:67, 68; Romans'.

**INTRODUCTION.** The teacher doesn't live who can handle adequately the material assigned for this lesson in a period of thirty minutes. To consider the different passages of scripture given us calls for an almost fatal brevity of treatment.

We are told that the name, Jeremiah, is a Hebrew word that means, "Exalted of the Lord." He was called The Weeping Prophet, not because he was lacking in courage, but because his heart wept in the realization of the sinfulness and stubbornness of the people



whom he loved as he loved his own life, and his conviction that their ruin as a nation was inevitable and very near. For forty years (6-25-585 B. C.)

he pled with them that they turn to the only Source of help

Who could and would deliver them from certain destruction which they had brought upon themselves by their hard-hearted disobedience to their Lord and never-failing Lever.

Year after year Jeremiah maintained his integrity toward his Lord, Jehovah, and year by year he was compelled to eat the bitter experience of being rejected by his people. It has been said that Jeremiah was among the world's great preachers, yet he preached forty years and never won a convert. The remnant of his people who remained in Jerusalem when the armies of Nebuchadnezzar carried the majority of the people away to Babylon, kept Jeremiah with them, wherefore it was his sad duty to preach to them the judgment of God against Godlessness. When a party of them fled into Egypt, they forced Jeremiah along, and down in Egypt they killed him. But in the darkest hour of their history, the aging prophet saw the brightness of Jehovah's love for His chosen people, and heard His promise of future blessing.

**I. THE EVERLASTING LOVE OF GOD.** "Yea, I have

## —THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

# God's Great Love Covenant

loved thee with an everlasting love," (Jeremiah 31:3). First, what now is a covenant? It is an agreement between two parties to perform certain reciprocal acts. Two men agree to enter the lumber manufacturing business together. One of the partners agrees to bring the sawlogs to the mill; the other, on his part, agrees to manage the operation of the mill and the manufacture of the lumber.

Now, what is the meaning of "covenant" in the Bible sense? It is a proposition on the part of God that He will confer blessings on men provided they on their part, will faithfully obey Him. And these covenants upon God's part are offered on God's part on account of His great "love wherewith He loved us."

God graced us with His great love wholly because His nature is love, and not because we are either lovely or lovable. God is love and His nature is to love, even as the sun is light, and it is the nature of the sun to shine. But you cannot read your Bible rightly without believing that God has set His special love upon certain of His people.

He has laid hold by His everlasting love upon the children of His friend Abraham, and who are they? Paul tells us (Gal. 3:7) "They that are of faith, the same are the sons of Abraham." That means you, if you have faith in the Saviour of men. "I have loved thee with an everlasting love, therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee," with lovingkindness do I draw thee. From that everlasting, eternal love no created thing in all God's universe can separate us.

**II. THE PROMISE OF THE NEW COVENANT.** "The days come, saith Jehovah, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the House of Judah. This is the covenant that I will make . . . after those days. . . I will put my law in their inward parts, and in their heart will I write it, and I will be their God and they shall be my people." This is the promise of the indwelling Spirit, the Holy Spirit Who came in answer to Christ's re-

quest to abide with His people forever.

**III. THE LAW WHICH SETS MEN FREE.** "There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus made me free". Look whose talking, will you? The name is Paul, the greatest of all interpreters of Christ and the Christian religion. Of course, he does not mean by, "The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus," the Old Testament law, but the law by which the spirit of Christ Jesus works, just as we speak of the laws of chemistry or of physics, or of nature.

Some day ago, I planted a row of multiplying onions, and two days ago, after a night of rain, I noticed that my little onions were up and growing. They are obeying the law of their nature. So the law of the Spirit of life in the heart of the believer lifts him above all bondage to the laws of carnal commandment as it brings him into loving subjection to all-embracing, everlasting, indefeasible love of the living God. This is the law against which there is no other law, the law that binds man to God, and so binds man to man in the bonds of a fellowship so large as to include all men of every race and station everywhere and everywhere, the law under the protecting shield all faithful ones, every individual faithful one may take refuge from every form of opposing force, every form of created thing, may attack the believer in Christ Jesus.

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## Off The Record

The guy who brags that he has a head on his shoulders, sometimes has a point there!

The following clipping seems all 2 true: "A vacation consists of 2 weeks which are 2 short, after which you're 2 tired 2 return 2 work, and 2 broke not 2!"

Waiter: "I'm the waiter who took your order."

Diner: "How are you—and how did you enjoy your vacation?"

The sergeant was explaining some important points to a squad of recruits on the rifle range. "This type of bullet will penetrate two feet of solid wood," he said, "so remember to keep your heads down."

In a remote Canadian town an Indian resident astonished the rest of the villagers with his uncanny predictions about the weather. On a sunny morning he would say, "We'll have rain before night," and sure enough, it would rain.

One miserable day when a cold rain was beating down, a hunter approached the Indian and asked, "When will all this blow over so I can hunt?"

The Indian shrugged. "I can't tell — my radio's on the blink."

Texas nursery rhyme: The butcher, the baker, the Cadillac-maker.

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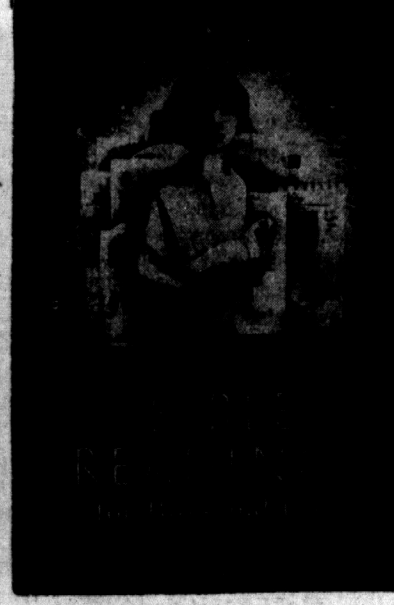
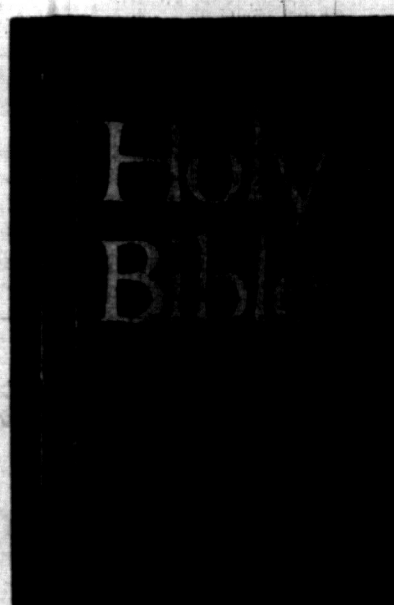
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THE TEN-ROOM ANTE-BELLUM HOME shown above is the pastorial at First Church, Indianola. It has been renovated in recent months.

## First Indianola Completes Redecorating, Building Program

On Sunday morning, October 16, following the morning worship hour, the congregation of First Church, Indianola entered the newly erected Education Building. This day climaxed the completion of a three-phase program of building which started in the early spring of this year.

The first phase of the program was a complete renovation of the sanctuary, involving an extensive enlargement of the seating capacity, complete interior decoration, new carpets, drapes, refinished pews, acoustical ceiling, modernized baptistry, new lighting system with Rheostat controls and extensive exterior overhaul.

The second phase of the building program involved a complete renovation of the pastor's home. The ten-room ante-bellum style home received such a complete renovation as to make it one of the most comfortable homes in the Delta. Along with interior decoration, the house was furnished with a central cooling and heating system, ceramic tile baths, a large family room and modernization of all rooms and facilities.

The new Education Building will be used by the Intermediate Department of the church. It will also house the music department. A large mahogany paneled choir room will provide space for the graded choirs to assemble and practice.

The plans for this enlargement program began two years ago with the appointment of a Building Study Committee. This committee was then enlarged to three separate committees to direct the work of the three projects.

Kenneth Kimbrough of Memphis, Tennessee was the interior decorator for the sanctuary and pastorial. O. B. Reno served as chairman of the Sanctuary Committee. Powell Poe was chairman of the Pastorial Committee; John Holmes was chairman of the Education Building Committee; and Frank Baker was chairman of the Finance Committee. Rev. Harry Kellogg is pastor.

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## The Word Of God A Critic

Reprint from Editorial

By DR. P. I. LIPSEY, Editor of Baptist Record, 19-12-1942  
Quoted from the Baptist Record of 1912

"In the letter to the Hebrews 4:12 it is said the word of God is quick to discern the thoughts and intents of the heart. The word is 'critic' which we have borrowed bodily in our language.

Young people in their literary societies are accustomed to and report on them so that they may be conscious of their defects and report on them so that they may be conscious of their defects and stimulated by any notice taken of their excellencies. One is chosen or appointed for this task who knows and closely observes.

In athletic contests and this is a common figure in the Scriptures, the players usually have a 'coach,' a man who knows all the nice points of the game, who is familiar with the rules, is deeply interested in the game and the players themselves. It is his business to watch them closely, to observe any defects, to stimulate any flagging interest, attention or effort, and encourage them by assurance of victory. It is his purpose to make them win. Sometimes he may seem to be hard on them. He makes them work, he regulates their diet and habits, reproves their indifference, rebukes their inattention and unfaithfulness.

Sometimes he consoles them when they seem to have failed. Such an one is the Word of God. It is a critic of the thoughts and intents of the heart, sharper than a two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing of soul and spirit. And there is no creature that is not manifest in His sight. We should never know our sins but for the Word. We should never know the way of victory but by the Word."

## SIX-WEEK REVIVAL NOW IN PROGRESS IN THAILAND

A six-week evangelistic campaign began in Nakorn Nanyoke Province of Thailand November 14 and will continue through Christmas Day. Services are being conducted in the Baptist Chapel in the city of Nakorn Nanyoke every night and in the markets and streets of outlying villages every day, with tracts and Bibles being distributed.

The campaign is under the direction of the Evangelism Committee of the Thailand Baptist Mission (organization of Southern Baptist Missionaries). Missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Hobbs, first took up residence in the province a little more than a year ago.

"Those of us in Thailand are eagerly and confidently awaiting the good results of the effort, the first of this length and intensity we have attempted," says Missionary Robert R. Stewart. "We all realize that our human efforts are in vain without the power of God to convict and save.

Prayer Requested  
Therefore, we request the prayer support of every Southern Baptist who is concerned for the salvation of the nearly 200,000 lost people in Nakorn Nanyoke Province. It would be most encouraging to know that thousands of Southern Baptists in the United States and around the world are supporting our efforts with their prayers every day of this campaign.

"We are thankful that the Woman's Missionary Union Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions comes during this time. We hope that every WMU organization will make the campaign an object of special prayer every day during the Week of Prayer."

DR. NORMAN E. O'NEAL (right), professor of Religious Education at Mississippi College, is here greeted by Dr. William Fleming (left), president of the board of trustees of the Southwestern Seminary during a Nov. 22 meeting in Fort Worth, Tex. Seminary president Robert E. Naylor is also shown. Dr. O'Neal represents Mississippi Baptists on the board.

## NEW RANKIN YWA COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS FOR 1961

First Church, Brandon, was the scene on November 14, of the organization of the first Rankin Association Young Woman's Auxiliary Council. The fifty-two charter members include groups from Oakdale, Leesburg, Rehobeth, Pelahatchie, Briar Hill, Star, Pearl, Florence, and Brandon.

The Council was organized at a supper meeting presided over by the Associational YWA Director, Mrs. C. R. Maples of Leesburg, Mrs. Tom Benton, Brandon, Brandon Counselor and Director welcomed the group on behalf of the host church, represented by the Antonina Canzoneri YWA. The devotional was presented by the group from Pelahatchie, Mrs. Jessie B. Watts, Counselor. Supper was served under the direction of Mrs. R. M. Hogan, Brandon WMU.

A skit, entitled "Who We Are — And Why" was presented by the Brandon YWA, with music by the Rehobeth trio.

The purpose of a YWA Council was explained by Miss Marjean Patterson, State Director of YWA. The group also elected Hilda Jones, Pearl, president; Marie Everett, Pelahatchie, vice-president; Flossie Mae

Thompson, Leesburg, secretary; and the following committee chairmen: Sarah Cox, Brandon, program; Sandra Parkinson, Florence, mission study; Carole Weathersby, Briar Hill, prayer; Willie Ruth Daniel, Pelahatchie, community missions; and Joyce Bethune, Oakdale, stewardship (combined with treasurer). Also elected were Sue Grantham, Brandon, pianist and Dorothy Shedd, Rehobeth, chorister.

The new Council adjourned after having accepted an invitation to meet with the Pelahatchie YWA on February 13, 1961. (They plan to meet the second Monday of the second month of each quarter.)

## BEAT LINE CALLS PASTOR

Rev. Jerry C. Polk has accepted the pastorate of Beat Line Church, Conehatta, where he began his duties on November 6.

Rev. Polk, a sophomore at Clarke College, is treasurer of his class. He is also pastor of Stratton Church near Union. He is the son of Charles T. Polk of Newellton, Louisiana.

## Campus Site Is Selected For Dallas University

DALLAS — (BP) — A 100-acre site overlooking Mountain Creek Lake in Southwest Dallas has been selected as the location for the new Dallas Baptist University.

Acceptance of the site, offered as a gift from Dallas industrialist John Stemmons, ended an intensive two-year search by the university's steering committee "for the best possible location to serve the Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan area."

A professional educational consultant firm, Associated Consultants in Education, recommended the site to the Dallas Baptist Association after the entire metropolitan area to find the location which would best serve the school's long-range interests.

The site, located nearer to the center of the vast Dallas-Fort Worth area than any other location considered, is easily accessible to students from both cities by the Dallas-Fort Worth Turnpike, U. S. Highway 80, Jefferson and Illinois Blvds.

The four-year liberal arts college is scheduled to open in the fall of 1962 after a \$3 million fund drive is conducted to raise necessary capital for the school.

## Ky. Advances Cooperative Plan

LOUISVILLE — (BP) — A new plan for letting more people know how the Cooperative Program works has been advanced here.

Robert J. Hastings of Louisville, Stewardship Promotion Secretary for Kentucky Baptists, reported the plan could reach every local association of churches in the state.

In his statement before the annual session of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky here, Hastings said he hoped to test the plan in at least one association in the early fall of 1961.

## LAUREL RESIDENT WRITES ARTICLE FOR HOME LIFE

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — They met at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly in North Carolina. Together they climbed mountains, dreamed dreams, and eventually were married.

All that was ten years ago, Arline Cate Thrash of Laurel, Miss., writes in the December issue of a Baptist Sunday School Board periodical. Today they have four children, a too-small house, and "more month than money left over."

Mrs. Thrash, of 759 Garden Drive, tells of the years of struggle which most young marrieds know. Although there have been times when they did not know where their next meal might come from, "somehow through each experience God has worked good for us."

Through "Home Life," the Christian family magazine of Southern Baptists, Mrs. Thrash's article "My Cup Runneth Over," will go into almost a million homes.

Mrs. Thrash is a member of the First Baptist Church of Laurel, Mississippi.

## AVERAGE AGE OF PASTORS IS 42.2 IN CONVENTION

Life begins at 40, an old maxim is true. If this statement is true, then Southern Baptist pastors are in their prime.

According to statistics computed by the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, the age of Baptist preachers in the state conventions average out at 42.2 years.

Ohio pastors are the youngest at 37.7 average, while New Mexico preachers stand at the 45.5 plateau.

The average age was figured from the total number of pastors under 65 years of age who are enrolled in the Protection Plans administered for the denomination by the Annuity Board.

At present, about 61 per cent of the pastors in the Convention are in this denominational program.

By the states the average ages are: Alabama 41.8; Arizona 41.9; Arkansas 43.1; California 42.9; Colorado 42; District of Columbia 42.8; Florida 42.1; Georgia 43.4; Illinois 43.9; Indiana 40.3; Kansas 40.3; Kentucky 41.5; Louisiana 41.3; Maryland 41.2; Michigan 39.9; Mississippi 41.3; Missouri 41.3; New Mexico 45.5; North Carolina 43; Ohio 37.7; Oklahoma 42.5; Oregon-Washington 41.9; South Carolina 43.3; Tennessee 44.4; Texas 40.7; Virginia 42.6 and Hawaii 38.8.

## New Adult Book Now Required For Standard

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSB) — The adult administration book, "The Sunday School Ministry To Adults," published in August, 1959, is now required on Point IX of the Standard of Excellence for an adult Bible class, according to John T. Sisemore, Superintendent of Adult Work, Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board. The old adult administration book, "Adults In The Sunday School" is now obsolete and does not meet standard requirements, effective Sept. 30, 1960.

In making application for standard recognition, standard applications which require the old book should be changed before the form is used.

A new adult teaching book, Guiding Adults In Bible Study, has replaced the old book, "Teaching Adults In The Sunday School." The standard requirement may be met by an award on either of these teaching books until Sept. 30, 1961. After that date, only the new book will be acceptable for standard recognition.



FORT WORTH — There are 40 Mississippi students studying at Southwestern Seminary this current semester. Officers elected to serve Magnolia State students are (left to right) Kenneth Mooney, Box 75, Washington, vice president; Mary Duren, 202 Martin St., Greenwood, publicity chairman; Larry Grantham, 710 N. 19th Ave., Hattiesburg, social chairman; Elaine Southerland, Rt. 3, Columbus, secretary-treasurer; and Bernard Spooner, 10528 Stewart Place, New Orleans, La., president. Dr. T. M. Bennett, professor of Old Testament, is the sponsor.

## Missouri Introduces New Surgery Method

ST. LOUIS — (BP) — A new technique in brain surgery for victims of Parkinson's Disease has been introduced at Missouri Baptist Hospital here, according to hospital officials.

They said this is apparently the only hospital in the United States using the new method.

The discovery allows surgeons to destroy deep-seated brain tissue and thus alleviate symptoms of Parkinson's disease.

Medical men at the University of Zurich, Switzerland, pioneered in the new surgical operation. Over 400 cases there are on record. Other European nations are also using it, although it has just come into use in America.

Study Each Patient  
Surgeons study each patient

carefully before deciding on this new technique. Success of the new method, as with other operations, varies. Patients with advanced cases face a more difficult recovery. The chances of success with them is not as great as with patients whose cases are less advanced.

A St. Louis brain surgeon who graduated from Zurich performs the special operation at Missouri Baptist Hospital. A staff surgeon from Zurich came to St. Louis for enough time to help the hospital prepare equipment and operating procedures.

Parkinson's disease is named for James Parkinson, English physician who described the condition in 1817 and called it "shaking palsy." Parkinsonism

## Baptist Biography Packets Ready

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BPN) — "Those who have served our denomination deserve to be remembered," says Howard B. Foshee, secretary of the Sunday School Board's Church Administration Department.

"Baptist biography packets, a church may create a book of remembrance of their members, living and deceased, who have served their Lord faithfully and well."

Davis C. Woolley, executive secretary of the historical commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, encourages the chairman of each church history committee to secure a packet, compile the information, retain a copy at the church, send a copy to the State Baptist Historical Society and one to the Historical Commission in Nashville.

This memorial information actually is a group of symptoms, rather than a disease.

## Southwestern To Expand Student Village Facilities

FORT WORTH — Authorization was given Tuesday by the Board of Trustees of the Southwestern Seminary for the Building Committee to begin immediate expansion of the J. Howard Williams Memorial Student Village with plans for five new buildings and 40 apartments contemplated.

Meeting on the seminary campus the trustees also called for a long range study of Building needs with discussion centering around a prospective Student Activities Building, a Children's Building, and modernization of present dormitories.

Reports of these studies will be given at the February trustee meeting.

In other action approval was given to the School of Church Music to begin study toward the granting of a Doctor of Church Music degree beginning in the fall of 1961.

## New Bible Games Available

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BPN) — Broadman Press, Nashville, released Bible Match-A-Verse Games on the books of Mark and Psalms on Nov. 1.

Similar to games already available on Matthew and John, each game can be played by two to eight players. Words printed on a card are matched with parts of verses on the player's board.

These games are available at Baptist Book Stores.

## Houston Baptist College Gets State Charter

AUSTIN, Tex. — (BP) — The proposed Houston Baptist College has been granted a charter here.

Messengers to the Baptist General Convention of Texas, meeting in Lubbock in November, had approved the school's charter request giving the college the go-ahead on seeking the state-issued charter.

The college will begin operation Sept., 1962 and nearly \$3 million has been raised for endowment and building purposes, said Rex Baker, chairman of the school's finance committee.

By opening date four new buildings should be constructed and ready for use on the 200-acre campus just off the south-west freeway in the Sharpstown area of Houston.

The college's first structures will be a student center, physical education and health building, classrooms and administration building, and a maintenance building.

will perpetuate the witness of outstanding Southern Baptists in church, community, denomination, and nation.

## "Master Control" To Feature Dr. David Edens

Dr. B. David Edens, Minister of Counseling and Family Life for Trinity Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas, will be featured on "MasterControl" radio with some regularity next year. He will present brief case histories from his work as a counselor, psychotherapist, and minister.

"MasterControl" is a weekly program of music, interviews, and inspiration, produced by Southern Baptists' Radio-TV Commission. It is now carried by 176 stations to a weekly audience conservatively estimated at 6,500,000.

Dr. Edens is an ordained minister, as well as a clinically trained psychotherapist. He is a graduate of Mars Hill and Wake Forest Colleges in North Carolina, and holds degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, The Merrill-Palmer School and Columbia University.